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SUPPLEMENT TO RENEWED PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.47(a)

On 4 March 2003, a Renewed Petition Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.47(a) was filed. It was mailed on 24 February 2003 under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.8(a).

We have now obtained signed Declarations under 37 C.F.R. § 1.63 from inventors Philippe Ledon and Séverine Poette. They are here enclosed, each attached to a copy of PCT publication WO 98/44898.

Philippe Ledon

When we filed the Renewed Petition, we were not certain that the Philippe Le Don found in the pagesjaunes.fr database was our inventor Philippe Ledon and efforts to reach Mr. Le Don by telephone were unsuccessful. Accordingly, we reported that inventor Philippe Ledon could not be found.

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING BY FIRST CLASS MAIL

I hereby certify under 37 CFR §1.8(a) that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail with sufficient postage on the date indicated below and is addressed to the Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231.

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On 11 March 2003, a further attempt was made by a French-speaking colleague and she was successful in contacting Mr. Le Don by telephone. Mr. Le Don is, indeed, our inventor Philippe Ledon and he agreed to execute the Declaration that I had sent to him on 7 February 2003. It was received on 20 March 2003.

Séverine Poette

It was our understanding that inventor Poette had agreed to execute a Declaration under 37 C.F.R. § 1.63 and, accordingly, an appropriate document was sent to her on 6 February 2003. Since, as of 24 February 2003, the document had not been returned to us, we reported that inventor Poette was refusing to sign.

On 11 March and 13 March 2003, a French-speaking colleague attempted to reach inventor Poette by telephone, but all she got was a voicemail indicating that Ms. Poette was not available. My colleague left word for Ms. Poette to call her back. Ms. Poette never did return the call but, nevertheless, she did sign the application and we received the signed document on 20 March 2003.

The application was apparently executed by inventor Poette on 19 February 2003. I cannot explain why she did not return the document to us promptly, as had been requested.

Summary

We now have signed Declarations from David Acher, Gerd Dahms, Hubert Delagneau, Bruno Guillaume, Philippe Ledon and Séverine Poette. Annick Canelas has refused to sign and appropriate documentation to this affect was submitted on 24 February 2003. Sarah Desmots cannot be found and appropriate documentation to this effect was submitted on 24 February 2003.

In these circumstances, it is requested that this application be permitted to proceed with the six Declarations and that they be regarded as having been made on behalf of the Declarants and the non-signing inventors.

Any fee required for this Supplement to the Renewed Petition should be charged to Deposit Account No. 06-1050.

Respectfully submitted,

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